

Commonwealth of Massachusetts



Cannabis Industry Sub-Committee Meeting

November 9, 2017



Agenda



- Call to order
- Roll call
- Approval of minutes from last meeting
- Topics for discussion:
 - Working group updates
 - Packaging: Shanel Lindsay
 - Licensing, Registration, and Manufacturing: Jaime Lewis
 - Seed-to-Sale Tracking and Tier Measurement: John Lebeaux
 - Social Consumptions Recommendations: Michael Latulippe
 - Review meeting schedule going forward
 - Other business
- Adjournment



Packaging: Shanel Lindsay



Packaging



- Handout submitted to the group is a living draft
- Based off DPH regulations for packaging cannabis and MIPs
- Changes from DPH are redlined with comments
- Additional information on infused products would be wise, specifically the type of cannabis used to produce said product; for example, whether it is flower, kief, or a processed concentrate or distillate



Licensing, Registration, and Manufacturing: Jaime Lewis



Licensing, Registration, and Manufacturing



- The legislation calls for virtual separation of medical and adult use marijuana – how should this be done?
 - Virtual Separation of medical and adult use marijuana should be done at the point of sale. All co-located retail medical/adult use marijuana establishments will be required to possess and operate software capable of tracking and distinguishing sales for adult use and medical patients.



Licensing, Registration, and Manufacturing, continued



- **The legislation prohibits individuals under 21 being allowed on the premises of a Retail Marijuana Establishment, but how will registered qualifying patients over 18 but under 21 have access to medication?**
 - **Both Adult Use and Medical Marijuana can be conducted on site by Virtual Separation. 18-21 year old registered patients with a valid registration card are allowed in the limited access area, if that Retail Marijuana Establishment is a licensed Medical Marijuana Treatment Center.**



Licensing, Registration, and Manufacturing, continued



- What energy, environmental, and **waste disposal standards** for licensure and licensure renewal of marijuana establishments licensed as a marijuana cultivator or marijuana product manufacturer does the subcommittee recommend?
- We recommend adopting existing DPH waste disposal standards as identified in 105 CMR 720.105 (J) (p.31). Energy and environmental standards must, at a minimum, be commensurate with Municipal Requirements. *See 105 CMR 725.600 (p.50).*



Licensing, Registration, and Manufacturing, continued



- What standards for manufacturing or extracting cannabinoid oils or **hydrocarbon solvent** does the subcommittee recommend?
 - Should the regulations specify minimum safety standards for specified types of hydrocarbon solvent extraction systems?
 - We recommend that the New NFPA be adopted toward the industry, with a consideration for a date to allow time for existing operators to get their facilities up to code
 - *See the City of Denver's [Marijuana Extraction Guidelines for Commercial/Licensed Facilities](#).*



Licensing, Registration, and Manufacturing, continued



- The law allows the licensing of ancillary businesses, such as marijuana distributors, marijuana storage, **laboratories**, and marijuana transportation.
 - The Commission should place initial exclusive focus on creating regulations, guidelines, and protocols necessary for the issuance of licenses by April 1, 2018. To this end, we recommend addressing licensing for ancillary businesses, social consumption, and other marijuana establishments outside the scope identified in [G. L. c. 94G, §§ 4\(a\)\(1\)-\(15\)](#), 15 be reserved for Phase II of regulatory promulgation.
- What training requirements should there be for **retail dispensary and cultivation/processing** employees?
 - The law requires qualifications for licensure and minimum standards for employment that are directly and demonstrably related to the operation of a marijuana establishment and similar to qualifications for licensure and employment standards in connection with alcoholic beverages as regulated under chapter 138 of the General Laws



Licensing, Registration, and Manufacturing, continued



- What training requirements should there be for **retail dispensary and cultivation/processing** employees?
 - Marijuana Establishment owners may choose to send their employees to a live, in-person, training program that is akin to TIPS or ServSafe Alcohol Certification classes.
 - Owners who choose to participate will receive a reduced fine for a specified list of infractions.



Future Meeting Dates



- All meetings will take place on 2nd floor, 100 Cambridge Street, Boston
 - Friday, November 17, 1:00-2:30pm
 - Tuesday, November 21, 1:00-2:30pm